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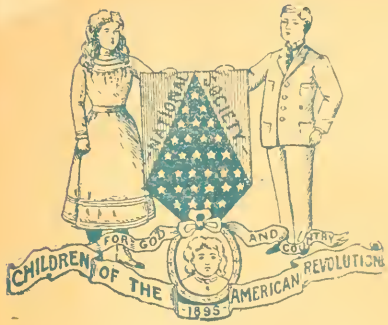

Constitution and By-Laws

of the

National Society

of the

Children of the American Revolution.

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THE NATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE CHILDREN OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION was incorporated under the laws of Congress applicable to the District of Columbia, April 11, 1895, and by such incorporation "The Headquarters, or chief office, of said National Society, was fixed in the City of Washington, in the District of Columbia."

National Society

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Children of the American Revolution.

ORGANIZED AT WASHINGTON, D. C., APRIL 5, 1895.
INCORPORATED UNDER THE LAWS OF CONGRESS APRIL 11, 1895.

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CONSTITUTION.

We, the children and youth of America, in order to know more about our country from its formation, and thus to grow up into good citizens, with a love for, and an understanding of the principles and institutions of our ancestors, do unite under the guidance and government of the Daughters of the American Revolution, in the Society to be called the NATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE CHILDREN OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION: and we adopt this Constitution.

ARTICLE I.

Any girl or boy may be eligible for membership in this Society from birth to the age of eighteen years for the girls and twenty-one years for the boys, who is descended from a man or woman who, with unfailing loyalty, rendered material aid to the cause of Independence; from a recognized patriot, a soldier or sailor or civil officer, in one of the several Colonies or States, or of the United Colonies or States.

ARTICLE II.

We take as objects of this Society to work for: First, the acquisition of knowledge of American history, so that we may

understand and love our country better, and then any patriotic work that will help us to that end, keeping a constant endeavor to influence all other children and youth to the same purpose. To help to save the places made sacred by the American men and women who forwarded American Independence; to find out and to honor the lives of children and youth of the Colonies and of the American Revolution: to promote the celebration of all patriotic anniversaries; to place a copy of the Declaration of Independence and other patriotic documents in every place appropriate for them; to hold our American Flag sacred above every other flag on earth. In short, to follow the injunctions of Washington, who in his youth served his country, till we can perform the duties of good citizens.

And to love, uphold and extend the institutions of American liberty and patriotism, and the principles that made and saved our country.

ARTICLE III.

The officers of this Society shall be a President and other officers. These shall be appointed, during her term, by the President who has been appointed by, and to whom has been given the organization and the care of this Society by the Daughters of the American Revolution. This first President to serve not less than four years.

The President and the other officers of the second term to be elected annually by ballot at the Continental Congress of the

Daughters of the American Revolution, by a vote of the majority of the members of that body.

The meetings of the Board of Officers of the National Society of the Children of the American Revolution, will be held in Washington, D. C., and may be one or two in a year, as agreed by the Board, the President having the right to call a special meeting if occasion demands.

ARTICLE IV.

All members of this Society shall pay an annual fee of fifty cents.

The fees of members at large shall go entire into the Treasury of the National Board of the Children of the American Revolution. The fees of young people forming local Societies are to be divided in the following manner:

Twenty-five cents to go to the National Fund of the Society; twenty five cents to the local Societies.

The fee due the National Society must be sent to the Treasurer General at the same time that the application for membership is forwarded to the Registrars General.

Annual dues are to be paid in advance on or before the 22nd of February of each year.

A separate National and Local Fund may be formed for the express purpose of preserving patriotic places and articles, as occasion permits and as voted by the Society.

ARTICLE V.

Local Societies assisted by the Daughters of the American Revolution, may be formed in any locality. The President of such Society to be a Daughter of the American Revolution: the other officers to be young people who are members of the Society.

ARTICLE VI.

Any amendment to this Constitution may be offered at any meeting of the National Board of Management of the C. A. R., but shall not be acted upon until the next meeting thereof, when it shall be settled by a majority vote of the members present.

BY-LAWS.

I.

Regular Meetings.

The regular meeting of the National Board of Management shall be held at the Board Room, on the first Tuesday of each month with the exception of July, August and September, at ten o'clock. Five members shall constitute a quorum.

II.

Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting shall be in Washington, D. C., on February 22nd. All business not considered appropriate for the National holiday, to be transacted on another day of same week as agreed upon by the Board of Management.

III

Names of Local Societies.

A name of a local society, once chosen by such society, cannot be adopted by another local society. As soon as the name is selected, it must be at once reported to the Corresponding Secretary General. Local societies must be named

for persons, or events, or places associated with the early history of our country. No later date than 1820 can be allowed. As far as possible, the names of girls and boys who helped forward the cause of American Independence should be adopted.

IV.

The Seal.

The seal of the Society has upon its face the figures of a girl and boy in dress appropriate to the Continental period. Between them is the shield. Above them are the thirteen stars arranged in a symbolic setting, Around the rim is the legend, Children of the American Revolution.

V.

Insignia.

The insignia of the Society is a solid silver pin overlaid with gold, the outer rim is a garter of heraldic blue enamel carrying the legend Children of the American Revolution, ending with a buckle. With wings outspread in the attitude of "Old Glory," the eagle occupies the center of the open space together with the flag, which he holds in his talons. The flag, in red, white and blue enamel, is draped, one-half with the stars on the blue field over the garter, and the end of red and white stripes floating back of the legend. The name and national number of each owner to be engraved on back of badge. The colors of the National Society of the Children of

the American Revolution, shall be red, white and blue; the only other badge of the Society being a knot or ribbon of narrow red, white and blue ribbon.

VI.

CERTIFICATES.

The certificate of the Society on Japanese paper with border in sepia, commemorates with historic accuracy some of the principal events in our Nations's history, interweaving our mottto, "For God and Country." The seal of the Society stamped on a red leather wafer is affixed.

VII.

CHARTERS.

The charter for a local Society may contain as many names of its organizing members as its space will allow.

VIII.

STATE PROMOTERS.

There may be in each state such number of its best representative men and women as shall be considered advisable by the National Board of Management, who shall be ready to use all their influence toward the growth and prosperity of the Society, and thus be State Promoters of the Children of the American Revolution. These to be appointed by the National Board of Management and to serve during its pleasure.

Regulations of Local Societies

BELONGING TO

National Society of the Children of the American Revolution

The President of each Society must belong to the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution. The other officers of such Society may be its young members. Children and youth of both sexes may become members.

There can be as many Societies in a city or town as may be authorized by the National Board. If possible, name Societies after girls or boys who did patriotic service in connection with the Revolutionary War, or period not later than 1820. It is one of the aims of this Society to find them. Any number of members may form a local Society as approved by its president.

There are two classes of members; those in Local Societies, who are known as Local Members, and those not joining through a Local Society, who are known as members at large.

Fees for all members per year, fifty cents.

Fees of Local Members to be thus divided: Twenty-five cents to go to Treasurer of National Society; twenty-five cents to go to Local Society. Fees of Members at Large go entire to Treasurer of National Society.

Fees must be sent by Treasurers of Local Societies on the 1st and 15th of each month, sending as many as possible at a time.

When requesting two Application blanks from the Corresponding Secretary General, the applicant must enclose one two cent stamp for postage of same. When forwarding Application blanks that have been filled out to the Registrars General, one two-cent stamp for the return of each duplicate blank must be enclosed.

Application papers, when filled out, must be forwarded by the Registrars of Local Societies to the Registrars General of National Society on the 1st and 15th of each month. On these dates as many as possible should be sent.

For Application Blanks, Constitutions, Circulars and Printed matter, apply to Corresponding Secretary General Mrs. Mary Sawyer Foote, Room 48, 902 F st., N. W., Washington, D. C.

For certificates and Badges apply to Registrar General Mrs. Rosa Wright Smith, 1203 N st. N. W., Washington, D. C. Badges $1.00, which includes engraved name, National number and registered postage. Certificates $1.00, which includes postage.

For Charters of Local Societies, apply to Recording Secretary General Mrs. Julius C. Burrows, 1404 Massachusetts ave., N. W., Washington, D. C.

For permits for purchase of Stationery, apply to Vice President General Mrs. T. H. Alexander, 1207 N st., N. W., Washington, D. C.

When officers or members of Local Societies are writing to officers of the National Society, care must be taken to address the proper officer. Letters will be answered much more promptly and all confusion be avoided by carefully observing this regulation.

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